

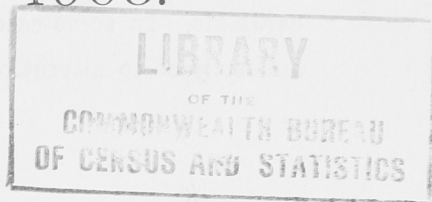
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MEMORANDA.

Population.--The estimated population of New South Wales on 31st December, 1907, was 1,571,268. This shows an increase for the year of 40,284 (the highest since 1891), or at the rate of 2·63 per cent. The birth-rate, 27·14 per 1,000 of population, showed a slight recovery, but the death-rate, owing to epidemics, was 10·52 per 1,000, which is the highest for three years.

Trade.--The imports during January were valued at £2,673,758, which shows a decrease of £386,758, or nearly 13 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. The direct oversea imports amounted to £1,679,245, as compared with £1,438,928 in 1907, so that the decrease was in interstate transfers. There were increases in sugar and apparel and soft goods, but decreases in metal manufactures, kerosene, spirits, tobacco, wool, and gold.

The oversea exports for January amounted to £1,452,638, and show a large decrease of £2,033,469, or over 58 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. There was a decrease of £1,487,000 in wool, and smaller decreases in most of the other principal articles. Butter showed an increase. Separating merchandise from gold, the exports of the former decreased by £1,994,812, and of the latter by £38,657. This large decline will probably not be maintained in the succeeding months, as large quantities of wool have been held back from export.

Banks of Issue.--The averages for the December quarter, 1907, show that there were substantial increases during the year under all the principal heads. An increase of £2,828,620 in the advances is a very prominent feature, while there has also been a marked increase in current accounts and deposits at interest. The total deposits have never been so high. There was an increase of £3,344,074 during the year, while since December, 1903—the year which ended the long drought—there has been an increase of over £10,000,000. Another prominent feature has been the increase of £2,044,722 in reserves of coin and bullion. The steady increase in advances during the last few years is very satisfactory, as it is an indication of expanding business after a long period of contraction.

Mineral Production, 1907.—The value of the minerals won in New South Wales during 1907 was the largest on record, and was equal to £10,295,290, there being the large increase of £2,382,574 over the value for 1906. To the total, gold contributed £1,050,730, which was lower than in 1906 ; silver and silver-lead, £3,915,946 ; coal, £2,922,419 (both the largest on record) ; and copper, £727,774. The largest increases during the year were shown in silver-lead and coal.

Prices.—The general index number for January was slightly higher than in December, 1907, but was lower than for January in any of the previous three years. The index number for pastoral produce was 1,240, for metals 1,087, and for all articles 1,222. Prices generally were a little higher than at the end of 1907, with the exception of wool, frozen mutton, and tin.

Meteorology.—During January, the weather conditions were moderately dry throughout the State. With the exception of a few scattered places, the rainfall was below the average, more especially over the Western Division and Riverina. The temperature, generally speaking, was above the average.

Land Selections.—During January, 169 new settlers applied for 106,705 acres, and 83,432 acres, representing 121 blocks, were set apart for residential settlement.

Statistical Bulletin—December, 1907.

No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1897	692,090	609,690	1,301,780	22,810	1'78	1,290,375
1898	701,815	621,315	1,323,130	21,350	1'64	1,312,455
1899	710,520	633,560	1,344,080	20,950	1'58	1,333,605
1900	718,995	645,595	1,364,590	20,510	1'53	1,354,335
1901	723,494	656,033	1,379,527	14,937	1'09	1,367,851
1902	741,234	666,385	1,407,619	28,092	2'04	1,395,299
1903	755,078	676,533	1,431,611	23,992	1'70	1,419,734
1904	773,699	687,850	1,461,549	29,938	2'09	1,446,535
1905	795,133	700,874	1,496,007	34,458	2'36	1,478,703
1906	816,590	714,394	1,530,984	34,977	2'34	1,514,390
1907	843,543	727,725	1,571,268	40,284	2'63	1,554,635

The population includes 4,287 Aborigines of full-blood, of whom 2,451 are males, and 1,836 females.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Marriages.	Births.		Deaths.		Excess of Births over Deaths.	
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Numerical.	Per 1,000 of Population.
1897	8,813	18,989	18,258	8,314	5,950	22,983	17'81
1898	8,888	18,723	17,499	9,636	7,025	19,561	14'90
1899	9,275	18,613	17,848	9,131	6,770	20,560	15'42
1900	9,996	18,964	18,182	8,951	6,167	22,028	16'26
1901	10,538	19,149	18,726	9,327	6,694	21,854	15'98
1902	10,486	19,322	18,513	9,535	7,111	21,189	15'19
1903	9,759	18,377	17,589	9,428	7,069	19,469	13'71
1904	10,422	19,857	18,810	8,733	6,627	23,307	16'11
1905	10,970	20,206	19,295	8,709	6,269	24,523	16'58
1906	11,551	21,066	19,882	8,715	6,260	25,973	17'15
1907	12,126	21,617	20,578	9,429	6,980	25,786	16'59
Oct. to Dec., 1907 ...	3,009	5,612	5,326	2,492	1,829	6,617	.....
" " 1906 ...	2,925	5,228	5,058	2,202	1,642	6,442	.....

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.					Departures.				
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
1897	44,780	22,236	45,357	25,992	138,365	43,039	22,572	45,868	27,059	138,538
1898	49,186	26,340	44,340	25,600	145,466	46,945	24,453	45,943	26,336	143,677
1899	49,960	27,674	46,358	25,625	149,617	47,817	23,746	49,278	28,386	149,227
1900	45,585	23,198	51,783	30,747	151,313	45,259	21,931	53,647	31,994	152,831
1901	50,234	25,905	55,538	31,936	163,613	44,332	25,168	66,763	34,267	170,530
1902	54,942	26,249	50,855	28,604	160,650	43,433	23,967	54,411	31,936	153,747
1903	46,121	24,449	54,314	27,459	152,343	39,537	24,095	56,003	28,185	147,820
1904	48,700	24,278	54,997	28,287	156,262	39,475	24,113	56,725	29,318	149,631
1905	47,872	26,298	62,991	35,143	172,304	38,586	25,096	62,340	36,347	162,369
1906	50,257	29,208	71,529	42,342	193,336	41,039	27,753	71,641	43,899	184,332
1907	63,759	34,516	91,872	48,341	238,488	50,035	31,264	90,831	51,860	223,990
Oct. to Dec., 1907 ...	16,485	8,883	24,049	12,583	62,000	13,556	8,449	27,353	15,346	64,704
„ 1906 ...	14,620	8,375	19,838	11,127	53,960	11,946	7,670	21,318	13,108	54,042

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1900	82,530	45,962	4,857	9,770	8,194	151,313
1901	87,474	46,982	4,579	13,706	10,872	163,613
1902	79,458	46,900	4,864	13,161	16,267	160,650
1903	81,773	42,529	4,249	12,868	10,924	152,343
1904	83,283	42,911	4,842	14,314	10,912	156,262
1905	98,134	44,315	4,859	15,093	9,903	172,304
1906	113,871	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,336
1907	140,213	58,734	7,895	20,137	11,509	238,488
Oct. to Dec., 1907 ...	36,632	15,534	2,812	3,990	3,032	62,000
„ 1906 ...	30,965	14,234	2,263	3,704	2,794	53,960

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1900	85,641	42,863	5,798	9,477	9,052	152,831
1901	101,030	43,426	5,221	12,159	8,694	170,530
1902	86,347	36,448	5,956	12,803	12,193	153,747
1903	84,189	34,914	5,136	13,204	10,377	147,820
1904	86,043	35,888	5,837	12,782	9,981	149,631
1905	98,686	36,771	5,501	12,310	9,101	162,369
1906	115,541	39,458	4,627	15,452	9,254	184,332
1907	142,691	47,098	4,996	18,045	11,160	223,990
Oct. to Dec., 1907 ...	42,699	12,744	692	6,416	2,153	64,704
„ 1906 ...	34,426	10,856	526	6,239	1,995	54,042

No. 6.—Principal Causes of Death—1907 and 1906.

Cause of Death.	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
	1907.			1906.	1907.			1906.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.
General Diseases—								
Typhoid Fever	37	24	61	63	112	77	189	271
Measles	20	28	48	6	38	52	90	17
Scarlet Fever	6	7	13	24	14	12	26	42
Whooping-cough	102	115	217	3	281	313	594	10
Diphtheria and Croup	24	25	49	37	68	79	147	116
Influenza	20	34	54	23	184	146	330	145
Dysentery	10	7	17	16	44	36	80	84
Plague	8	6	14	8	9	10	19	8
Other Epidemic Diseases	9	2	11	11	16	8	24	27
Septicæmia	8	5	13	11	27	21	48	29
Tuberculosis—Lungs	211	207	418	425	555	407	962	1,007
Other Organs	33	36	69	74	86	76	162	183
General	24	27	51	22	59	51	110	62
Syphilis	7	5	12	38	21	12	33	50
Cancer	280	213	493	481	631	454	1,085	1,027
Rheumatism	6	27	33	34	38	51	89	109
Diabetes	28	35	63	43	68	72	140	107
Exophthalmic Goitre ... ..	...	7	7	7	2	11	13	11
Anæmia	17	16	33	25	34	29	63	55
Other General Diseases	23	18	41	64	80	36	116	149
Local Diseases—								
Meningitis	38	29	67	60	84	69	153	148
Diseases of Spinal Cord	23	7	30	31	57	22	79	80
Hæmorrhage, &c., of Brain	141	123	264	215	345	264	609	465
General Paralysis	47	5	52	54	64	9	73	69
Convulsions (under 5)	22	26	48	50	114	120	234	216
Other Nervous Diseases	53	46	99	139	188	123	311	380
Endocarditis	26	30	56	60	56	49	105	113
Organic diseases of Heart	294	221	515	367	736	542	1,278	1,048
Other diseases Circulatory System	48	47	95	114	160	88	248	235
Bronchitis	110	113	223	183	393	273	666	478
Pneumonia, Broncho-pneumonia	221	176	397	392	633	414	1,047	884
Other diseases Respiratory System	38	30	68	80	148	74	222	246
Diseases of Stomach	28	27	55	61	81	69	150	141
Diarrhœa and Enteritis (under 2)	269	216	485	478	595	518	1,113	1,096
" " (over 2)	40	35	75	100	154	113	267	362
Intestinal Obstruction	22	23	45	46	69	45	114	121
Cirrhosis of Liver	28	14	42	48	70	28	98	86
Appendicitis	37	26	63	56	83	55	138	103
Other diseases Digestive System	41	41	82	80	125	113	238	275
Nephritis	196	131	327	315	389	250	639	616
Other diseases Urinary System	44	10	54	63	124	23	147	191
Diseases of Genital Organs ... ..	...	42	42	30	...	55	55	49
Puerperal Condition ... ..	...	107	107	113	...	263	263	277
Diseases of Skin	19	14	33	29	43	29	72	78
Diseases of Bones, &c.	9	10	19	11	17	11	28	34
Congenital Malformations	24	25	49	48	62	45	107	108
Diseases of Infancy	247	206	453	387	662	560	1,222	1,065
Old Age	120	130	250	263	549	400	949	942
Violence—								
Suicide	33	13	46	62	136	27	163	175
Accidents	169	62	231	185	634	206	840	849
Other External Violence	13	7	20	10	28	16	44	25
Not classed (Open Verdict)	14	5	19	16	42	8	50	41
Ill-defined Causes	69	41	110	142	251	146	397	470
Total	3,356	2,882	6,238	5,703	9,429	6,980	16,409	14,975

Approximate mean annual death-rate per 1,000 of population—

Sydney and Suburbs.

New South Wales.

1902-1906

11.22

10.81

1907

11.45

10.52

No. 7.—Principal Articles Imported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.			1906.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	27,660	166,158	193,818	35,763	118,229	153,992
Animals	1,735,813	60,653	1,796,466	1,471,482	59,621	1,531,103
Apparel and Attire	463,800	5,278,242	5,742,042	362,464	889,733	1,252,197
Piece Goods				239,411	2,710,081	2,949,492
Boots and Shoes	234,905	164,445	399,350	182,122	115,381	297,503
Cordage and Twines	30,220	301,587	331,807	41,668	39,611	81,279
Drugs and Chemicals	45,884	406,994	452,878	22,461	158,052	180,513
Fish—all kinds	14,437	162,379	176,816	20,914	98,577	119,491
Fruits—Dried	98,498	65,926	164,424	365,528	105,559	471,087
Fresh	233,390	76,018	309,408			
Furniture	43,190	127,351	170,541	35,546	97,782	133,328
Glass and Glassware	14,789	184,571	199,360	23,649	113,189	136,838
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	3,400,846	1,053,348	4,454,194	3,529,330	1,586,999	5,116,329
Hats and Caps	62,044	263,118	325,162	74,803	151,809	226,612
Implements—Agricultural	92,492	135,431	227,923	172,296	79,101	251,397
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	1,826	398,358	400,184	19,271	311,445	330,716
Galvanized Sheet		445,369	445,369	38,814	266,066	334,880
Leather	95,548	195,149	290,697	125,281	168,956	294,237
Machines and Machinery	180,541	1,518,005	1,698,546	276,803	800,353	1,077,156
Metal Manufactures—Free	103,727	752,313	856,040	78,396	780,596	858,992
Dutiable	13,076	998,147	1,011,223	136,854	427,747	564,601
Oil—Kerosene		169,530	169,530	11,655	111,785	123,440
Spirits	46,399	504,116	550,515	74,930	330,171	405,101
Sugar	780,854	51,497	832,351	88,235	190,466	1,073,701
Tea		561,204	561,204	37,435	381,669	418,504
Timber	127,952	768,396	896,348	187,332	526,413	713,745
Tobacco, Cigars, &c	115,100	399,522	505,622	141,585	258,371	399,956
Wool	1,677,933	7,013	1,684,946	1,469,328	1,385	1,470,713
Other Articles	6,604,897	7,939,769	14,544,666	7,003,504	6,694,956	13,698,460
Total	£ 16,245,821	23,145,609	39,391,430	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363

NOTE.—The figures for the two years are not quite comparable, as the column "Interstate" in 1906 includes a small amount of oversea produce.

No. 8.—Principal Articles Exported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.				1906.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Value.	
	Interstate.*	Oversea. †	Interstate. †	Oversea. †	Interstate.	Oversea.
			£	£	£	£
Animals, Living		2,272	2,326,262	68,865	2,408,436	92,210
Butter lb		18,829,626	133,016	810,270	48,676	1,003,423
Coal ton		2,644,507	970,665	1,297,534	891,446	892,179
Copper, Ingots, & Matte cwt.		406,959	*	1,623,218	5,031	1,627,458
Gold—Coined and Uncoined			430,404	2,663,224	685,772	5,932,214
Grain—Wheat cental		3,036,812	214,465	799,902	257,265	689,918
Flour "		778,595	188,624	319,754	177,051	285,482
Lead—Pig, and Matte cwt.		1,506,694	*	1,325,323	1,388,945	635,621
Leather			*	300,348	133,222	329,267
Meats—Mutton and Lamb lb.		55,831,419	*	614,996	75,035	538,771
Rabbits and Hares prs.		6,986,466	*	301,115	1,704	246,803
Oil—Cocoanut cwt.		114,955	*	195,816	4,406	151,292
Ores "			*	897,071	9,070	277,959
Silver Bullion, &c. oz.		3,402,419	*	428,150	506,912	105,155
Silver-lead Bullion cwt.			*			655,011
Silver-lead Ore "		*	*	*	94,980	446,921
Skins—Hides No.		197,239	211,880	188,010	86,975	146,303
Sheep "		3,943,123		502,893	90,618	403,166
Rabbit and Hare lb.		6,981,362		254,741	23,669	298,532
Other "				286,664	4,718	415,678
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. cwt.		*	360,421	*	239,510	86,505
Tallow "		358,377		539,976	20,930	470,023
Timber "			39,123	334,283	41,853	352,622
Tin, Ingots cwt.		85,281	*	727,448	1,450	700,806
Wool—Greasy and Scoured lb.		298,651,930	2,632,344	16,219,020	3,240,935	12,302,149
All other Articles			8,122,747	2,265,505	4,212,541	1,901,420
Total	£		15,629,051	32,964,126	14,651,156	30,986,888

* Not yet available.

† Information compiled from preliminary returns; may be subject to alterations.

No. 9.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897 ...	8,972,854	12,771,496	21,744,350	7,788,077	15,962,995	23,751,072
1898 ...	11,721,033	12,732,527	24,453,560	8,162,429	19,485,688	27,648,117
1899 ...	10,868,437	14,725,878	25,594,315	8,862,274	19,583,192	28,445,466
1900 ...	10,164,080	17,396,991	27,561,071	9,979,214	18,185,302	28,164,516
1901 ...	9,368,011	17,560,207	26,928,218	9,140,497	18,210,625	27,351,122
1902 ...	10,949,675	15,024,535	25,974,210	7,568,922	15,975,129	23,544,051
1903 ...	12,792,252	13,977,917	26,770,169	7,876,898	18,941,161	26,818,059
1904 ...	14,152,101	13,133,857	27,285,958	9,918,050	23,086,484	33,004,534
1905 ...	14,938,885	14,485,123	29,424,008	12,263,472	24,518,534	36,782,006
1906 ...	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363	14,651,156	30,986,888	45,638,044
1907 ...	18,454,079	20,937,351	39,391,430	15,629,951	32,964,126	48,594,077

NOTE.—The 1907 figures are preliminary, and subject to revision later.

No. 10.—Trade Comparison—Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase.
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	917,216	1,756,542	2,673,758	1,499,770	1,560,746	3,060,516	(—) 386,758
	1907.			1906.			
Jan. to Dec. ...	16,245,821	23,145,609	39,391,430	15,291,198	19,434,201	34,725,399	4,666,031

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase.
	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	1,452,638	*	.....	3,486,107	1,024,953	4,511,060	(—) 2,033,469
	1907.			1906.			
Jan. to Dec. ...	32,964,126	15,629,951	48,594,077	30,986,888	14,651,156	45,638,044	2,956,033

* Not yet available.

† Oversea only.

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported during January, and during the twelve months—January to December.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
January.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	1,808	18,033	19,841	2,419	15,791	18,210
Animals	21,714	4,625	26,339	40,493	3,466	43,959
Apparel and Soft Goods	24,919	424,599	449,518	22,241	362,420	384,661
Boots and Shoes	5,879	11,205	17,084	6,873	11,312	18,185
Cordage and Twines	1,837	24,315	26,152	1,572	17,472	19,044
Drugs and Chemicals ... ..	.....	29,168	29,168	2,138	29,746	31,884
Fish—all kinds ... ..	.....	36,061	36,061	355	15,778	16,133
Fruits—Dried	353	1,551	1,904	775	1,594	2,369
Fresh	12,843	9,750	22,593	22,690	6,819	29,509
Furniture ... ..	.....	6,722	6,722	1,969	6,854	8,823
Glass and Glassware ... ..	.....	12,154	12,154	566	10,628	11,194
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	340,364	76,450	416,814	711,743	76,186	787,929
Grain—Rice ... ..	.....	9,004	9,004	.....	6,715	6,715
Hats and Caps	4,319	17,970	22,289	2,610	13,014	15,624
Implements—Agricultural	2,819	5,032	7,851	5,226	10,311	15,537
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	191	26,528	26,719	158	25,300	25,458
Galvanized Sheet ... ..	.....	24,479	24,479	.....	24,727	24,727
Leather	3,626	8,332	11,958	5,588	14,992	20,580
Machines and Machinery	8,249	105,470	113,719	11,955	100,780	112,735
Metal Manufactures—Free	5,770	65,748	71,518	203	72,021	72,224
Dutiable	236	2,217	2,453	7,519	48,582	56,101
Oil—Kerosene ... ..	.....	228	228	.....	25,261	25,261
Spirits	1,209	12,704	13,913	2,752	40,929	43,681
Sugar	44,989	88,664	133,653	56,240	2,107	58,347
Tea ... ..	.....	54,307	54,307	.....	50,547	50,547
Timber	8,551	47,095	55,646	6,468	61,615	68,083
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	5,173	6,660	11,833	7,852	25,918	33,770
Wine	3,128	4,280	7,408	4,103	4,073	8,176
Wool	42,082	1,124	43,206	142,915	481	143,396
Other Articles	377,157	621,467	998,624	432,347	475,307	907,654
Total	£ 917,216	1,756,542	2,673,758	1,499,770	1,560,746	3,060,516
Year 1907. Year 1906.						
Ale and Beer	27,660	166,158	193,818	18,820	127,228	146,048
Animals	1,735,813	60,653	1,796,466	1,835,445	59,554	1,894,999
Apparel and Soft Goods	463,800	5,278,242	5,742,042	360,667	4,479,729	4,840,396
Boots and Shoes	234,995	164,445	399,350	172,579	135,704	308,283
Cordage and Twines	30,220	301,587	331,807	28,921	243,105	272,026
Drugs and Chemicals	45,884	406,994	452,878	37,106	336,928	374,034
Fish—all kinds	14,437	162,379	176,816	8,093	145,599	153,692
Fruits—Dried	98,498	65,326	164,424	59,229	56,470	115,699
Fresh	233,390	76,018	309,408	199,540	91,872	291,412
Furniture	43,190	127,351	170,541	28,054	93,742	121,796
Glass and Glassware	14,789	184,571	199,360	11,399	135,270	146,669
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	3,400,846	1,053,348	4,454,194	3,516,828	1,651,971	5,168,799
Grain—Rice ... ..	.....	110,471	116,471	.....	101,411	101,411
Hats and Caps	62,044	263,118	325,162	49,856	209,533	259,389
Implements—Agricultural	92,492	135,431	227,923	140,248	103,533	243,781
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	1,826	398,358	400,184	1,995	338,911	340,906
Galvanized Sheet ... ..	.....	445,399	445,399	6	378,257	378,263
Leather	95,548	195,149	290,697	102,423	186,972	289,395
Machines and Machinery	180,541	1,518,005	1,698,546	103,651	1,031,594	1,135,245
Metal Manufactures—Free	103,727	752,313	856,040	5,472	941,499	946,971
Dutiable	13,076	998,147	1,011,223	87,719	552,794	640,513
Oil—Kerosene ... ..	.....	169,539	169,539	.....	118,106	118,106
Spirits	46,399	504,116	550,515	30,608	447,281	477,889
Sugar	780,854	51,497	832,351	800,284	185,309	1,045,593
Tea ... ..	.....	561,204	561,204	.....	421,375	421,375
Timber	127,952	768,396	896,348	92,619	622,950	715,569
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	115,100	390,522	505,622	119,460	281,857	401,317
Wine	45,440	52,408	97,848	42,238	44,541	86,779
Wool	1,677,933	7,013	1,684,946	1,469,316	1,586	1,470,902
Other Articles	6,559,457	7,770,890	14,330,347	5,908,622	5,909,520	11,818,142
Total	£ 16,245,821	23,145,609	39,391,430	15,291,198	19,434,201	34,725,399

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea during January, and during the twelve months—January to December.

Article.	1908.				1907.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.
January.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	98	98	£ 2,176	£ 2,176	146	146	£ 2,402	£ 2,402
Butter lb.	4,279,792	4,279,792	205,356	205,356	4,142,654	4,142,654	172,610	172,610
Coal ton	223,089	223,089	112,830	112,830	148,450	148,450	70,939	70,939
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	30,855	30,855	90,561	90,561	26,403	26,403	132,792	132,792
Fruits—Fresh cntl.	2,023	2,716	1,282	2,002	2,339	2,644	1,487	1,819
Gold—Coined, Uncoined	.....	.....	150,436	150,436	.....	.....	189,093	189,093
Grain—Wheat... .. cntl.	47,198	47,198	18,352	18,352	988,279	988,279	239,018	239,018
Flour "	23,976	23,976	12,608	12,608	91,169	91,189	33,048	33,058
Lead cwt.	102,074	102,074	66,160	66,160	124,235	124,235	112,331	112,331
Leather... .. "	.....	.....	22,082	22,334	.....	.....	30,827	31,474
Meats—Beef lb.	15,090	15,090	189	189	368,091	368,091	4,416	4,416
Mutton & Lamb ..	2,906,268	2,906,268	25,602	25,602	9,221,257	9,221,257	118,298	118,298
Rabbits & Hares pair	251,643	251,643	9,857	9,857	220,031	220,031	9,445	9,445
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	444,586	444,586	8,264	8,294	77,075	77,075	1,752	1,752
Oil—Cocanut cwt.	4,509	4,509	6,779	6,779	4,440	4,540	7,694	7,879
Ores, Spelter, &c. ...	.....	.....	27,375	27,375	.....	.....	83,813	83,813
Silver Bullion oz.	201,157	217,335	21,349	21,349	364,241	364,241	49,431	49,431
Silver-lead Bullion ... cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Skins—Hides No.	11,122	11,122	7,935	7,935	8,607	8,607	8,698	8,698
Sheep "	313,713	313,713	29,409	29,409	402,924	402,924	48,393	48,393
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	171,857	171,857	4,775	4,775	153,126	153,126	4,871	4,871
Other ... .. "	.....	.....	4,580	4,580	.....	.....	23,030	23,030
Tallow cwt.	19,498	19,498	26,417	26,417	36,238	36,238	56,899	56,899
Timber ... .. "	.....	.....	22,418	23,727	.....	.....	29,568	31,023
Tin, Ingots cwt.	6,413	6,413	38,920	38,920	7,192	7,192	67,459	67,459
Wine gal.	6,429	6,677	1,502	1,789	1,525	1,630	420	589
Wool lb.	6,363,473	6,363,473	378,725	378,725	35,997,971	35,997,971	1,865,889	1,865,889
Other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	71,184	152,301	.....	.....	52,173	118,686
Total ... .. £	.....	.....	1,367,123	1,452,638	.....	.....	3,416,796	3,486,107
Year 1907.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	2,272	2,272	68,865	68,865	4,194	4,200	79,963	81,291
Butter lb.	18,829,626	18,829,626	810,270	810,270	23,973,160	23,973,160	1,003,836	1,003,836
Coal ton	2,644,507	2,644,507	1,297,534	1,297,534	2,000,631	2,000,631	878,761	878,761
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	406,959	406,959	1,623,218	1,623,218	394,828	394,828	1,577,609	1,577,609
Fruits—Fresh cntl.	83,290	85,649	49,952	53,463	46,813	48,411	30,185	31,841
Gold—Coined, Uncoined	.....	.....	2,663,224	2,663,224	.....	.....	5,811,622	5,939,482
Grain—Wheat... .. cntl.	3,036,812	3,036,812	799,902	799,902	2,530,341	2,530,341	689,920	689,920
Flour "	778,482	778,595	319,702	319,754	778,640	778,760	285,418	285,482
Lead cwt.	1,505,885	1,506,694	1,324,648	1,325,323	797,760	797,932	650,852	650,995
Leather... .. "	.....	.....	288,671	300,348	.....	.....	329,395	336,551
Meats—Beef lb.	2,131,839	2,131,839	24,405	24,405	3,679,265	3,679,265	41,602	41,602
Mutton & Lamb ..	55,831,419	55,831,419	614,996	614,996	50,913,070	50,913,070	537,818	537,818
Rabbits & Hares pair	6,986,466	6,986,466	301,115	301,115	5,939,240	5,939,240	246,489	246,489
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	6,111,546	6,116,086	113,022	113,252	4,176,315	4,184,525	84,476	84,653
Oil—Cocanut... .. cwt.	114,949	114,955	195,629	195,816	108,299	108,314	151,292	151,317
Ores, Spelter, &c. ...	.....	.....	888,885	897,071	.....	.....	840,952	844,446
Silver Bullion oz.	3,396,722	3,402,419	427,469	428,150	644,233	644,233	79,720	79,720
Silver-lead Bullion ... cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	705,642	705,642	684,499	684,499
Skins—Hides No.	196,843	197,239	187,210	188,010	130,539	130,539	146,771	146,771
Sheep "	3,939,446	3,943,123	502,672	502,893	3,116,772	3,117,054	403,426	403,472
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	6,981,362	6,981,362	254,741	254,741	7,527,265	7,527,265	297,792	297,792
Other ... .. "	.....	.....	286,644	286,664	.....	.....	415,192	415,479
Tallow cwt.	358,265	358,377	539,836	539,976	363,941	363,989	470,474	470,538
Timber ... .. "	.....	.....	314,674	334,283	.....	.....	345,795	360,940
Tin, Ingots cwt.	85,281	85,281	727,448	727,448	85,413	85,483	761,862	761,999
Wine gal.	47,492	51,024	12,191	17,114	44,723	47,764	11,819	15,255
Wool lb.	298,651,930	298,651,930	16,219,020	16,219,020	237,647,285	237,647,285	12,306,944	12,306,944
Other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	936,453	2,057,271	.....	.....	758,636	1,667,682
Total ... .. £	.....	.....	31,792,396	32,964,126	.....	.....	29,923,030	31,018,274

NOTE.—The difference between the value of Australian produce exported and the total export represents the value of produce of oversea origin re-exported.

No. 14.—Outward Interstate Transfers during December, and during the twelve months January to December.

NOTE.—The figures for January, 1908, are not yet available.

Article.	1907.			1906.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
December.						
Animals—Live	£ 247,077	£ 1,000	£ 248,077	£ 240,118	£ 112	£ 240,230
Apparel and Soft Goods	11,721	21,581	33,302	10,940	22,046	32,986
Biscuits	5,811	.....	5,811	6,190	47	6,237
Boots and Shoes—Leather	15,770	2,177	17,947	14,232	2,227	16,459
Butter	1,482	.....	1,482	1,339	.....	1,339
Cement	4,723	2	4,725	2,633	63	2,696
Coal	69,794	.....	69,794	69,083	.....	69,083
Fruits—Fresh	7,495	2,267	9,762	11,129	3,210	14,339
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	3,112	.....	3,112	86,872	.....	86,872
Grain—Wheat	14,190	.....	14,190	10,134	.....	10,134
Flour	23,838	14	23,852	16,337	20	16,357
Hats and Caps	3,146	4,434	7,580	2,976	3,076	6,052
Leather	4,628	3,173	7,801	6,215	2,887	9,102
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	8,059	7,413	15,472	4,728	6,287	11,015
Free	654	924	1,578	2,938	3,545	6,483
Potatoes	4,695	.....	4,695	718	.....	718
Skins and Hides	14,633	.....	14,633	22,157	.....	22,157
Soap	3,235	15	3,250	3,265	2	3,267
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	40,925	.....	40,925	13,398	5	13,403
Spirits	2,285	7,809	10,094	1,879	6,615	8,494
Sugar	24,810	658	25,468	20,488	1	20,489
Tea ... ..	.....	6,275	6,275	.....	6,208	6,208
Timber	2,714	304	3,078	2,191	717	2,908
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	14,685	2,832	17,517	18,356	2,797	21,153
Wool	284,985	.....	284,985	695,898	.....	695,898
Other Articles	352,024	118,197	470,221	330,240	116,434	446,674
Total	£ 1,166,491	£ 179,135	£ 1,345,626	£ 1,594,454	£ 176,299	£ 1,770,753
January to December.						
Animals—Live	2,323,123	3,139	2,326,262	1,975,690	3,440	1,979,130
Apparel and Soft Goods	166,203	375,209	541,412	145,100	316,198	461,298
Biscuits	60,833	189	61,022	51,566	153	51,719
Boots and Shoes—Leather	149,347	23,452	172,799	126,584	16,953	143,537
Butter	133,014	2	133,016	48,659	17	48,676
Cement	54,234	508	54,742	33,856	414	34,270
Coal	970,665	.....	970,665	891,446	.....	891,446
Fruits—Fresh	125,291	8,117	133,411	119,422	12,643	132,065
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	430,404	.....	430,404	691,769	3	691,772
Grain—Wheat	214,440	25	214,465	257,085	.....	257,085
Flour	188,166	458	188,624	176,307	744	177,051
Hats and Caps	39,733	39,219	78,952	30,889	9,031	39,920
Leather	78,207	60,852	139,059	94,719	54,462	149,181
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	76,890	67,226	144,116	55,263	55,438	110,701
Free	18,653	34,263	52,916	20,909	35,855	56,764
Potatoes	32,696	.....	32,696	34,154	.....	34,154
Skins and Hides	211,643	237	211,880	165,529	60	165,589
Soap	49,693	43	49,736	46,239	74	46,313
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	360,408	13	360,421	239,504	6	239,510
Spirits	19,364	84,545	103,909	30,624	73,159	103,783
Sugar	229,909	4,653	234,562	222,685	5,178	227,863
Tea ... ..	.....	109,680	109,680	.....	90,652	90,652
Timber	32,026	7,097	39,123	38,804	3,415	42,219
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	213,929	30,610	244,539	190,466	33,016	223,482
Wool	2,632,344	.....	2,632,344	3,241,035	.....	3,241,035
Other Articles	4,474,699	1,494,497	5,969,196	3,327,393	1,264,985	4,592,288
Total	£ 13,285,917	£ 2,344,034	£ 15,629,951	£ 12,255,607	£ 1,975,896	£ 14,231,503

No. 15.—Staple Produce Exported Oversea each Month.

Month.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Gold (coined and uncoined).	Lead and Silver-lead.	Copper.	Coal.
1907.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	1,865,889	272,066	172,610	189,093	112,331	132,792	70,939
February...	1,817,098	269,583	122,692	163,793	67,696	158,748	98,419
March ...	1,889,287	139,933	148,573	205,818	170,184	128,970	65,754
April ...	801,336	108,443	61,474	229,009	108,137	118,760	69,964
May ...	351,413	72,016	32,872	456,983	115,633	180,440	111,292
June ...	401,198	52,269	3,551	431,925	111,361	167,514	135,289
July ...	355,256	45,779	10,926	177,833	110,417	159,571	99,875
August ...	352,263	55,027	19,485	213,924	128,713	127,016	133,457
September	1,148,653	40,785	34,199	159,935	134,325	132,058	112,351
October ...	2,354,234	37,574	60,207	108,252	96,793	117,157	131,048
November	2,859,644	13,280	48,996	122,765	128,230	98,051	95,520
December	2,021,564	11,849	94,685	206,894	103,346	102,141	173,626
1908.							
January ...	378,725	30,960	205,356	150,436	66,160	90,561	112,830

No. 16.—Shipping.

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage entered.		Tonnage cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1897 ...	2,563	3,258,461	2,652	3,358,933	2,562,513	695,948	2,618,385	740,548
1898 ...	2,602	3,402,629	2,653	3,400,970	2,736,388	666,241	2,732,516	668,454
1899 ...	2,406	3,399,349	2,523	3,468,485	2,790,046	609,303	2,839,578	628,907
1900 ...	2,784	4,014,755	2,714	3,855,748	3,206,657	808,098	3,140,449	715,299
1901 ...	2,760	4,133,200	2,853	4,274,101	3,460,193	673,007	3,513,265	760,836
1902 ...	2,888	4,367,739	2,835	4,325,480	3,704,268	663,471	3,680,850	644,630
1903 ...	2,953	4,463,648	3,007	4,466,916	3,683,142	780,506	3,649,600	817,316
1904 ...	2,718	4,419,179	2,767	4,460,014	3,769,303	649,876	3,745,584	714,430
1905 ...	2,725	4,697,511	2,694	4,684,108	4,051,884	645,627	4,042,703	641,405
1906 ...	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907 ...	3,239	6,072,723	3,207	6,014,960	5,257,455	815,268	5,233,426	781,534
Jan., 1908 ...	272	502,187	264	490,273	454,195	47,992	420,819	69,454
„ 1907 ...	221	467,538	227	464,507	420,165	47,373	418,451	46,056

No. 17.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1885.	1890.	1895.	1900.	1905.	1906.
Imports.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Australian States	7,595,806	10,049,648	6,758,140	10,164,080	14,938,885	17,061,860
United Kingdom	11,985,597	8,628,007	6,420,107	9,923,117	8,602,288	10,047,928
Canada ... ..	.....	18,784	61,742	114,321	73,443	150,132
Fiji	192,540	99,853	27,890	60,831	43,232	55,478
Hongkong	340,187	271,730	181,529	67,928	89,351	102,680
India and Ceylon	134,909	239,070	306,932	601,741	717,948	848,792
New Zealand	899,623	932,073	563,528	1,348,605	1,369,001	2,094,508
South Africa	290	55	34	1,013	5,254	3,263
Straits Settlements	40,913	27,148	14,074	40,391	82,830	103,636
Other British Possessions ...	109,850	6,685	18,820	118,929	67,167	87,570
Total, British Countries..	21,299,715	20,273,053	14,352,796	22,440,956	25,989,399	30,555,847
Belgium	195,318	130,819	150,288	147,661	222,994	394,805
China	303,595	241,840	133,870	190,456	28,631	10,823
France	345,231	117,871	76,663	270,084	138,028	118,173
Germany	372,557	639,475	425,697	1,105,664	864,289	1,037,771
Italy	1,311	23,961	39,563	92,732	73,757	78,706
Japan	1,242	22,040	28,179	122,041	145,257	180,519
New Caledonia	82,181	83,920	28,345	28,509	18,399	33,667
Philippine Islands	715	4,414	15,211	49,240	27,854	39,436
South Sea Islands	36,929	40,214	54,436	107,488	103,142	132,732
United States	1,008,572	859,102	624,268	2,557,961	1,636,069	1,702,428
Other Foreign Countries ...	90,095	178,295	63,099	448,279	176,189	380,456
Total, Foreign Countries	2,437,746	2,341,951	1,639,619	5,120,115	3,434,609	4,109,516
Total, All Countries ...	23,737,461	22,615,004	15,992,415	27,561,071	29,424,008	34,665,363
Exports.						
Australian States	6,567,084	10,990,593	7,104,812	9,979,190	12,263,472	14,651,156
United Kingdom	7,293,133	6,623,431	9,371,418	8,273,272	10,222,422	12,174,155
Canada ... ..	.....	10	16,804	66,403	41,520	723,308
Fiji	128,643	98,951	86,420	183,579	245,152	307,247
Hongkong	246,032	255,050	141,976	218,986	424,460	431,748
India and Ceylon	130,597	257,360	56,462	174,296	1,330,189	1,546,539
New Zealand	309,055	294,138	486,173	826,662	934,661	1,300,126
South Africa ... ..	.....	1,014	3,266	755,487	371,727	367,009
Straits Settlements	29,190	34,347	24,507	39,898	95,995	160,996
Other British Possessions ...	30,318	27,469	31,268	49,586	89,969	88,931
Total, British Countries..	14,794,052	18,582,363	17,323,106	20,567,359	26,019,567	31,751,215
Belgium	399,549	1,011,846	780,826	620,349	1,787,163	3,263,310
China	21,114	1,037	7,943	68,004	318,159	97,930
France	142,104	233,924	1,436,122	1,024,300	3,576,246	3,179,531
Germany	29,511	404,280	1,141,661	844,504	2,771,396	2,294,260
Italy	1,769	24,498	63,509	61,132	176,770	128,674
Japan	2,758	7,156	54,242	133,989	377,451	633,730
New Caledonia	153,094	193,396	71,344	179,761	135,446	122,102
Philippine Islands ... ..	.....	16,410	18,603	88,043	183,853	234,658
South Sea Islands	68,854	45,290	68,713	126,834	141,381	119,333
United States	985,531	1,300,375	683,606	3,981,242	602,145	2,963,288
Other Foreign Countries ...	151,771	225,362	285,110	468,999	698,429	850,013
Total, Foreign Countries	1,956,055	3,463,574	4,611,679	7,597,157	10,762,439	13,886,829
Total, All Countries ...	16,750,107	22,045,937	21,934,785	28,164,516	36,782,006	45,638,044

No. 18.—Commonwealth Revenue collected in State.

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation.			Posts and Telegraphs.	Other Revenue.	Total.
	Customs.	Excise.	Total.			
	£	£	£	£	£	£
*1901	820,012	198,996	1,019,008	276,936	1,019	1,296,963
1902	2,324,000	488,732	2,812,732	873,312	8,223	3,694,267
1903	2,861,710	617,032	3,478,742	906,798	5,479	4,391,019
1904	2,604,049	625,737	3,229,786	941,529	5,075	4,176,390
1905	2,390,735	642,882	3,033,617	980,141	6,969	4,020,727
1906	2,563,552	670,370	3,233,922	1,065,633	15,275	4,314,830
1907	2,845,786	727,527	3,573,313	1,191,508	16,998	4,781,819
†Dec., 1907 ...	1,935,416	444,091	2,379,507	633,660	9,768	3,022,935
‡Dec., 1907 ...	958,675	243,433	1,202,108	331,090	5,571	1,538,769
„ 1906	666,066	179,173	845,239	305,382	4,646	1,155,267

* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Six months ended 31st December

‡ Three months ended 31st December.

No. 19.—Commonwealth Expenditure in State.

Year ended 30th June.	New Expenditure.	Customs and Excise.	Posts and Telegraphs.	Naval and Military.	Other.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
*1901	47,606	29,005	262,036	70,743	.....	409,390
1902	99,252	63,450	840,685	309,147	.....	1,312,534
1903	114,131	70,438	890,203	268,146	10	1,342,928
1904	167,043	69,188	950,107	298,757	.....	1,485,095
1905	290,847	68,724	894,595	237,892	.....	1,492,058
1906	187,340	73,431	984,371	327,734	25	1,572,901
1907	283,145	74,801	1,049,155	349,513	378	1,756,992
†Dec., 1907 ...	236,589	38,200	508,682	180,334	1	963,806
‡Dec., 1907 ...	110,102	18,937	242,627	98,195	.....	469,861
„ 1906	67,136	17,351	292,970	71,995	.....	449,452

* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Six months ended 31st December.

‡ Three months ended 31st December.

No. 20.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans.

Year ended 30th June.	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Resumptions).		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897	61,074,498	476,674	440,109	240,172	391,150	1,548,105
1898	63,112,720	421,885	538,622	282,421	410,215	1,653,143
1899	63,762,066	589,156	579,738	370,680	486,370	2,025,944
1900	65,332,993	858,193	438,684	382,346	721,720	2,400,943
1901	67,361,246	1,085,747	532,691	505,199	661,392	2,785,029
1902	71,592,485	2,243,672	486,205	1,698,387	510,977	4,939,241
1903	77,692,987	1,683,755	554,581	2,017,346	457,704	4,713,386
1904	80,033,581	805,520	315,305	879,213	288,704	2,288,742
1905	82,321,998	501,710	242,770	465,712	361,065	1,571,257
1906	85,641,734	529,251	365,442	256,780	215,549	1,367,022
1907	85,607,832	421,742	344,345	167,677	124,789	1,058,553

NOTE.—Redemptions of loans are not included in the Expenditure nor are repayments to credit of votes.

No. 21.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899–1900.	1900–1.	1901–2.	1902–3.	1903–4.	1904–5.	1905–6.	1906–7.
Governmental :—								
Taxation—								
By Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and returned to State	£ 1,508,955	£ 1,641,563	£ 2,385,904	£ 3,053,133	£ 2,683,417	£ 2,529,070	£ 2,742,770	£ 3,022,351
By State	881,692	1,041,548	1,108,770	1,108,782	1,100,193	1,114,408	1,297,776	1,381,305
	£ 2,389,747	2,683,111	3,494,674	4,161,915	3,783,610	3,643,478	4,040,546	4,403,656
Land—								
Alienations	1,213,661	1,226,905	1,155,515	1,010,246	1,030,138	937,815	976,772	1,029,439
Revenue	894,772	835,072	841,559	791,219	827,188	820,087	753,115	851,373
	£ 2,108,433	2,061,977	1,997,074	1,801,465	1,857,326	1,757,902	1,729,887	1,880,812
Receipts for Services rendered	£ 317,297	344,322	375,333	351,966	373,711	358,570	372,575	330,640
Miscellaneous Receipts	£ 216,280	270,546	221,666	236,127	290,550	288,020	285,479	343,851
Total Governmental	£ 5,031,757	5,359,956	6,088,747	6,551,473	6,305,197	6,047,970	6,428,487	6,958,959
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners	3,563,376	4,099,085	4,324,432	4,079,788	4,263,744	4,527,368	5,051,954	5,596,428
Sydney Harbour Trust ... ..	.....	60,602	217,391	256,133	261,659	253,581	270,689	298,037
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage ...	319,849	327,214	347,710	376,221	385,793	473,562	492,195	496,794
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board ...	30,707	27,806	29,076	32,453	31,934	34,437	39,757	42,217
Total Business Undertakings	£ 3,913,932	4,514,707	4,918,609	4,744,595	4,943,130	5,288,948	5,854,595	6,433,476
Total	8,945,689	9,874,663	11,007,356	11,296,068	11,248,327	11,336,918	12,283,082	13,392,435
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.)	31,609	24,612	49,112	92,830	103,868	47,753	8,285	14,108
Grand Total	£ 8,977,298	9,899,275	11,056,468	11,388,898	11,352,195	11,384,671	12,291,367	13,406,543

* Adjusted amounts for purposes of comparison, Commonwealth transferred services excluded.

No. 22.—Net Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899–1900.	1900–1.	1901–2.	1902–3.	1903–4.	1904–5.	1905–6.	1906–7.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental :—								
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Govt.*	620,867	580,517	737,578	895,732	831,527	883,236	938,398	907,026
Old-age Pensions and Administration ... ..	.....	40	453,279	553,507	531,983	518,656	510,343	515,177
Other Pensions, Retiring Allowances, &c.	30,835	44,629	44,299	37,589	†131,096	†170,909	†170,685	†167,947
Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, including Electoral Office	8,136	14,361	27,160	12,710	22,586	42,048	10,464	20,426
Parliamentary Allowances and Postage	34,002	33,303	32,694	35,014	34,746	23,210	29,129	29,503
Endowments and Grants—								
Municipalities, including Municipal Rates on Government Buildings	28,818	29,330	55,516	43,585	45,480	21,172	17,884	66,815
Fire and Water Brigades	13,522	15,633	17,517	16,785	22,354	15,790	20,052	19,457
Miners' Accident Relief and Administration ... ..	.....	2,002	9,043	10,329	11,668	11,875	12,747	13,778
Hospitals, Benevolent Societies, Coast Hospital, other Charitable Institutions	103,995	108,214	122,521	114,948	109,779	121,568	142,934	121,856
Fire and Flood Relief	149	1,620	132	882	98	5,278	220	86
Agricultural, Pastoral, and Horticultural Societies	14,931	15,404	15,986	13,071	11,410	14,363	8,936	17,390
Public Charities, including Government Asylums, State Children, Aborigines, and Maintenance of Paupers	157,134	130,388	159,703	167,581	166,148	154,364	149,339	144,933
Lunacy, including Master-in-Lunacy	110,705	114,568	125,436	147,238	138,847	128,062	135,307	135,728
Public Instruction, including Reformatories and Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions	773,653	789,206	874,692	904,142	912,621	915,586	937,840	943,638
Public Works, including Establishment	839,940	983,851	1,022,963	924,881	770,240	693,657	788,522	637,582
Labour and Industry, including Unemployed	9,661	9,182	13,220	17,414	21,355	11,087	12,821	7,856
Local Government Endowments, &c. ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	126,583
Extraordinary Services—								
Bubonic Plague	84,451	92,065	5,235	23,094	5,144	3,456	2,094	2,641
Military and Naval Contingents—South Africa and China	157,985	225,458	49,472	10,847	1,261	194	1,079	24,284
Federal Celebrations and Royal Receptions ... ..	.....	121,528	21,477	514	1,981	.....	.....	.....
All other Services of the State under Public Departments	1,805,465	1,932,017	1,961,519	1,952,191	1,913,964	1,841,543	1,816,518	1,899,999
Total—Governmental	£ 4,794,252	5,243,316	5,749,442	5,882,062	5,684,291	5,576,054	5,705,372	5,802,705
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners, Sydney Harbour Trust, Metropolitan and Hunter District Boards of Water Supply and Sewerage—								
Working Expenses	2,197,999	2,586,475	3,702,680	3,169,470	3,132,636	3,131,826	3,184,816	3,144,243
Interest on Capitals	†1,788,948	†1,892,780	†1,981,501	†2,046,289	†2,133,548	2,167,782	2,136,660	2,220,708
Total Business Undertakings	£ 3,986,947	4,479,255	4,984,181	5,215,759	5,266,184	5,299,608	5,321,476	5,673,951
Sinking Fund Instalments	264,561	269,412	274,550	369,413	369,413	319,413	360,016	405,090
Public Works Fund—Transfers in aid ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	718,051
Closer Settlement Fund—Transfers in aid ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200,000
Total	£ 9,045,760	9,991,983	11,008,173	11,467,234	11,319,888	11,195,075	11,386,864	12,799,797
Advances made	30,319	77,221	132,889	169,239	72,015	2,423	8,378	31,526
Grand Total	£ 9,076,079	10,069,204	11,141,062	11,636,473	11,391,903	11,197,498	11,395,242	12,831,323

* Excludes proportion chargeable to the four corporate bodies. † Includes pensions under Public Service (Superannuation) Act, No. 8 of 1903, 4 per cent. deductions from salaries being paid to Revenue. ‡ For years 1899–1900 to 1903–4, figures for interest on capitals are approximate only, as the capital debt of the four corporate bodies was not definitely settled.

No. 23.—Banks of Issue—Liabilities.

(Thirteen Banks.*)

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 31st December.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	1,237,971	111,889	10,707,611	19,128,305	29,835,916	69,000	31,254,776
1897	1,227,964	112,113	10,582,621	19,024,114	29,606,735	79,711	31,026,523
1898	1,278,940	125,414	10,812,215	19,040,496	29,852,711	54,228	31,311,293
1899	1,340,557	202,468	11,779,918	19,648,107	31,428,025	84,009	33,055,059
1900	1,447,641	209,905	12,224,510	20,009,081	32,233,591	78,594	33,969,731
1901	1,499,937	218,943	12,841,599	20,416,857	33,258,456	100,496	35,077,832
1902	1,454,415	208,521	12,587,097	20,472,785	33,059,882	207,610	34,930,428
1903	1,378,642	228,059	12,591,637	19,986,224	32,577,861	65,979	34,250,541
1904	1,345,934	196,995	12,642,715	20,638,560	33,281,275	77,028	34,901,232
1905	1,430,335	218,555	14,859,427	22,211,627	37,071,054	140,118	38,860,062
1906	1,564,670	313,946	16,834,690	22,585,802	39,420,492	117,629	41,416,737
1907	1,756,696	263,018	18,729,709	24,034,857	42,764,566	153,186	44,937,466
31 March, 1907 ...	1,663,162	306,160	19,034,018	22,757,349	41,791,367	102,038	43,862,727
30 June, „ ...	1,684,746	272,347	18,704,401	23,392,858	42,097,259	83,826	44,138,178
30 Sept., „ ...	1,668,290	242,853	17,846,274	23,747,866	41,594,140	98,670	43,603,953

No. 24.—Banks of Issue—Assets.

(Thirteen Banks.*)

Quarter ended 31st December.	Coin.	Bullion.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	6,760,851	187,845	1,914,483	35,116,696	223,487	324,466	44,527,828
1897	5,766,554	175,037	1,816,691	35,697,494	227,427	297,519	43,980,722
1898	5,564,870	200,310	1,812,804	34,403,700	256,997	399,543	42,638,224
1899	5,865,622	217,136	1,819,359	33,688,862	287,030	316,652	42,194,661
1900	5,933,076	193,050	1,874,099	34,385,388	246,998	403,816	43,036,427
1901	5,814,180	171,545	1,744,664	35,068,787	259,202	379,181	43,437,559
1902	6,329,551	223,172	1,789,902	34,654,744	287,025	346,097	43,630,491
1903	5,824,539	226,307	1,804,956	34,686,452	304,418	318,904	43,165,576
1904	6,175,911	276,446	1,808,266	32,798,708	283,002	264,615	41,606,948
1905	8,624,083	199,177	1,799,231	32,447,659	326,750	297,237	43,694,137
1906	7,247,347	260,016	1,819,417	34,415,590	335,979	379,602	44,457,957
1907	9,342,631	209,454	1,746,940	37,244,216	359,033	443,636	49,345,915
31 March, 1907 ...	8,552,808	226,354	1,783,913	34,032,294	350,903	506,399	45,452,671
30 June, „ ...	8,906,445	162,008	1,777,304	34,477,917	340,606	497,728	46,222,008
30 Sept., „ ...	8,961,077	135,413	1,763,041	36,153,395	348,907	490,049	47,851,882

* From June, 1907, the returns of fourteen banks are shown, the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris being included.

No. 25.—Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.				Amount.	Year.				Amount.
				£					£
1896 ... ..	...	...	...	116,962,784	1902 ... ..	...	...	...	178,637,708
1897 ... ..	...	...	...	121,645,873	1903 ... ..	...	...	...	180,961,406
1898 ... ..	...	...	...	126,978,018	1904 ... ..	...	...	...	177,797,335
1899 ... ..	...	...	...	146,188,144	1905 ... ..	...	...	...	189,826,381
1900 ... ..	...	...	...	144,080,314	1906 ... ..	...	...	...	220,860,512
1901 ... ..	...	...	...	167,676,707	1907 ... ..	...	...	...	234,169,822
Total, 1st January to 3rd February, 1908 ... ..				...	...				£19,788,608
„ „ „ 4th „ 1907 ... ..				...	...				£24,723,325

No. 26.—Savings Banks.

Year. (31st December.)	Number of Depositors.	Value of Deposits.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1896	213,608	8,522,623	449,048	39 18 0	6 13 3
1897	227,629	9,136,793	614,170	40 2 9	7 0 5
1898	242,365	9,480,944	344,151	39 2 4	7 3 4
1899	260,825	10,069,434	588,490	38 12 1	7 9 10
1900	282,643	10,901,382	831,948	38 11 5	7 19 9
1901	306,311	11,808,710	907,328	38 11 0	8 11 4
1902	323,212	12,425,464	616,754	38 8 10	8 16 6
1903	331,956	12,344,623	(—) 80,841	37 3 9	8 12 5
1904	339,602	12,743,735	399,112	37 10 6	8 14 5
1905	355,714	13,498,252	754,517	37 18 11	9 0 5
1906	392,050	15,320,532	1,822,280	39 1 7	10 0 2
30 June, 1907 ...	408,859	16,338,051	* 1,017,519	39 19 3	10 10 1

(—) Denotes decrease. * Increase during six months.

No. 27.—Life Assurance.—Business in force (exclusive of Industrial).

NOTE.—This Table refers to all offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Number of Policies.	Assurances.			Annual Premium Income.
		Sums Assured (exclusive of Bonuses).	Bonus Additions.	Total.	
		£	£	£	£
1896	280,113	80,587,515	9,475,207	90,062,722	2,714,808
1897	290,112	82,216,900	9,721,036	91,937,936	2,769,612
1898	306,916	85,630,767	11,093,343	96,724,110	2,903,218
1899	327,618	89,996,612	10,533,800	100,530,412	3,037,142
1900	349,485	93,888,153	11,190,189	105,078,342	3,168,898
1901	372,823	98,168,271	11,510,243	109,678,514	3,327,803
1902	392,369	102,006,915	11,507,608	113,514,523	3,467,718
1903	418,745	107,786,226	12,585,828	120,372,054	3,677,680
1904	440,005	112,357,451	13,418,599	125,776,050	3,845,577
1905	459,675	116,115,582	13,846,138	129,961,720	3,982,421
1906	445,156	107,711,543	13,962,278	121,673,821	3,698,031

The figures for 1906 represent Australasian business only ; prior to that year the whole business of the Institutions, wherever carried on, is included.

No. 28.—Life Assurance.—Assets and Liabilities.

NOTE.—This table refers only to Australasian offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Assets.			Liabilities.		
	Loans on Mortgages and Policies.	Government and Municipal Securities, Freehold Property, Cash on Deposit, &c.	Total.	Assurance, Endowment, and Annuity Funds.	Paid-up Capital, Reserve Funds, &c.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	16,597,379	5,736,667	22,334,046	21,399,835	934,211	22,334,046
1897	17,360,627	6,036,232	23,396,859	22,537,196	859,663	23,396,859
1898	17,038,041	7,484,151	24,522,192	23,654,709	867,483	24,522,192
1899	18,272,621	7,777,844	26,050,465	25,130,924	919,541	26,050,465
1900	19,013,579	8,457,644	27,471,223	26,491,025	980,198	27,471,223
1901	19,048,449	9,891,691	28,940,140	27,932,313	1,007,827	28,940,140
1902	19,680,288	10,910,198	30,590,486	29,518,852	1,071,634	30,598,486
1903	20,599,387	11,609,060	32,208,447	31,160,834	1,047,613	32,208,447
1904	21,739,875	12,501,434	34,241,309	33,264,382	976,927	34,241,309
1905	22,072,061	13,795,301	35,867,362	34,915,842	951,520	35,867,362
1906	24,379,196	12,556,320	36,935,516	35,333,435	1,597,081	36,935,516

No. 29.—Area under Crop.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane (area cut).	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	All Crops. *
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1897	866,112	211,382	39,530	18,194	327,209	4,608	1,659,717
1898	993,350	209,588	28,605	12,936	401,073	4,490	1,521,829
1899	1,319,503	193,286	19,874	14,578	461,784	4,573	2,204,500
1900	1,426,166	214,697	29,125	9,435	554,048	4,002	2,439,639
1901	1,530,609	206,051	29,383	10,472	466,236	4,534	2,445,564
1902	1,392,070	167,333	32,245	8,790	442,163	4,889	2,276,528
1903	1,279,760	202,437	42,992	8,899	491,918	5,041	2,245,839
1904	1,561,111	226,834	51,621	10,405	497,017	5,101	2,542,919
1905	1,775,955	193,614	40,471	9,772	435,704	5,298	2,672,973
1906	1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,279	2,838,081
1907	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,072	4,951	2,824,211

SEASON 1907-8.—The area of wheat estimated to be cut for grain during the season ending 31st March, 1908, is 1,399,930 acres, and for hay 371,120 acres. The production is estimated at 8,686,500 bushels and 189,400 tons respectively.

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

No. 30.—Production of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£
1897	8,853,445	5,754,217	834,633	320,276	334,902	794,256	5,373,614
1898	10,560,111	6,713,060	543,940	269,068	405,353	864,514	6,249,677
1899	9,276,216	6,064,842	278,007	289,206	334,297	845,232	4,874,696
1900	13,604,166	5,976,022	627,904	170,509	546,850	739,668	5,609,437
1901	16,173,771	6,292,745	593,548	199,118	526,260	891,190	5,855,674
1902	14,808,705	3,844,993	687,179	187,711	472,621	868,479	7,060,293
1903	1,585,097	3,049,269	351,758	183,105	243,379	806,140	4,138,627
1904	27,334,141	6,836,740	1,252,156	227,511	816,810	1,086,820	8,358,924
1905	16,464,415	4,951,132	652,646	199,640	366,293	928,160	5,413,710
1906	20,737,200	5,539,750	833,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	6,543,950
1907	21,817,938	5,703,000	1,404,554	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	7,517,550

No. 31.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£ s. d.
1897	10'2	27'2	21'1	17'6	1'0	172	3 4 9
1898	10'6	32'0	19'0	20'8	1'0	193	3 8 7
1899	7'0	31'4	14'0	19'8	0'7	185	2 4 3
1900	9'5	27'8	21'6	18'1	1'0	160	2 6 0
1901	10'6	30'5	20'2	19'0	1'1	197	2 8 0
1902	10'6	22'9	21'3	21'4	1'1	178	3 2 0
1903	1'2	15'1	8'2	20'9	0'5	160	1 16 10
1904	17'5	30'1	24'3	21'9	1'6	213	3 5 9
1905	9'3	25'6	16'1	20'4	0'8	175	2 0 6
1906	10'7	29'3	22'9	19'6	1'0	157	2 6 1
Mean for 10 years	10'0	27'3	19'0	19'8	1'0	179	2 11 5
1907	11'7	33'1	24'9	21'3	1'4	230	2 13 3

No. 32.—Live Stock.

Year ended 31st December.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.	All other.		
	No.	No.	No	No.	No.
1896	510,636	400,183	1,825,980	48,318,790	214,581
1897	498,034	409,098	1,673,598	43,952,897	207,738
1898	491,553	416,053	1,613,463	41,241,004	247,061
1899	482,200	399,327	1,567,754	36,213,514	239,973
1900	481,417	420,148	1,562,968	40,020,506	256,577
1901	486,716	417,835	1,629,619	41,857,099	265,730
1902	450,125	351,287	1,389,939	26,649,424	193,097
1903	458,014	523,438	1,357,140	28,656,501	221,592
1904	482,663	591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894	330,666
1905	506,884	644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764	310,702
1906	537,762	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370

NOTE.—Up to 1902 the figures include only the cows actually in milk at the time the returns were taken. The figures for subsequent years are made up as follows:—

Year.	Milch Cows.	Cows at present dry.	Heifers within 3 months of calving.	Total Dairy Cows.
1903	362,429	117,679	43,330	523,438
1904	424,936	131,595	35,405	591,936
1905	442,950	154,655	46,559	644,164
1906	494,820	172,888	45,341	713,049

No. 33.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1896	320,267,000	570,983	25,874,277	4,019,844	5,303,763
1897	303,315,000	656,973	29,409,966	3,937,168	6,544,781
1898	292,165,000	466,102	31,483,601	3,245,312	7,184,058
1899	254,833,000	389,838	33,033,881	2,385,987	6,831,943
1900	237,660,000	444,429	41,479,794	3,558,823	10,863,125
1901	310,075,000	450,713	39,056,878	3,838,835	11,080,891
1902	217,411,000	251,188	29,950,977	4,148,038	8,995,856
1903	227,004,000	235,198	38,727,107	4,748,176	7,804,771
1904	250,941,000	353,082	53,591,243	4,223,621	10,680,532
1905	297,154,000	495,157	53,040,250	4,625,980	11,652,440
1906	325,441,000	487,911	58,888,000	5,389,000	11,843,000

No. 34.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, based on London prices of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of 1901 are adopted as basis and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver Lead, Copper, Tin.
1901—average of year	1,000	1,000	1,000
1906 " " " " "	1,277	1,316	1,432
1907 " " " " "	1,343	1,354	1,461
January, 1902	966	962	878
" 1903	1,095	1,203	941
" 1904	1,047	1,083	998
" 1905	1,123	1,151	1,096
" 1906	1,234	1,271	1,350
" 1907	1,368	1,426	1,596
July, " " " " "	1,400	1,378	1,573
August, " " " " "	1,313	1,291	1,436
September " " " " "	1,327	1,294	1,479
October " " " " "	1,309	1,265	1,366
November " " " " "	1,271	1,246	1,205
December " " " " "	1,207	1,246	1,085
January, 1908	1,222	1,240	1,087

No. 35.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter.		Wool.		Tallow.
			Top.	Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
January, 1907 ...	30 6	7 11 0	104	96	12½	1 9	35 0
February, „ ...	30 9	7 16 0	101	96	12½	1 9	36 0
March, „ ...	30 9	7 15 0	100	97	12½	1 10	37 6
April, „ ...	31 3	7 17 0	98	91	12½	1 10	37 6
May, „ ...	32 9	8 10 0	97	90	12½	1 10	37 6
June, „ ...	34 6	8 11 6	96	91	12½	1 10	33 6
July, „ ...	35 3	8 16 0	97	93	12½	1 10	34 0
August, „ ...	35 0	9 2 0	100	95	12½	1 10	35 0
September, „ ...	40 0	9 13 0	98	96	12½	1 10	35 0
October, „ ...	42 9	10 7 0	119	112	12½	1 10	34 4
November, „ ...	44 0	10 12 0	119	112	13	1 11	34 1
December, „ ...	45 0	10 11 6	120	114	13	1 11	33 2
January, 1908 ...	43 6	10 13 0	122	115	13½	1 9½	33 0

No. 36.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).	Flour.	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.
	per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.
January, 1907 ...	2 10¾	6 17 6	8½	8½	2 3½	2 6½
February, „ ...	3 0½	7 3 0	8½	8½	2 7	2 5½
March, „ ...	3 1½	7 5 0	8½	8½	2 5	2 6
April, „ ...	3 2½	7 5 0	9½	9½	2 7	2 8½
May, „ ...	3 8¼	8 0 0	11½	11½	2 9½	3 1
June, „ ...	3 8	8 13 6	11½	11½	2 9½	2 9½
July, „ ...	3 11¼	9 0 0	10½	10¼	2 10	2 9½
August, „ ...	3 11	8 19 0	9½	10¼	2 10	2 9
September, „ ...	4 2¾	9 10 6	11½	11½	2 9½	3 1½
October, „ ...	5 1½	10 12 6	16½	16½	3 4	4 4½
November, „ ...	4 11½	11 7 6	15	15	3 5½	4 6½
December, „ ...	4 5	10 2 6	14½	15	3 3	4 10½
January, 1908 ...	4 6	10 9 6	15¾	15¾	3 2½	5 0

	Hay (Oaten).	Butter (Best Brands).	Cheese (Loaf).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.
	per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. d.
January, 1907 ...	3 2 0	9½	5½	8½	4½	8½
February, „ ...	3 6 0	9½	5½	7¾	4½	10½
March, „ ...	3 3 3	9½	5½	8½	4½	13½
April, „ ...	3 0 0	9½	5½	8¼	4½	15½
May, „ ...	4 1 6	10½	6	7½	5	17½
June, „ ...	4 2 6	11½	6¾	6¾	5	16½
July, „ ...	4 3 3	11½	7½	7½	5½	16
August, „ ...	3 11 9	11½	7½	8¼	5½	8½
September, „ ...	4 11 8	11½	7½	9	5½	8
October, „ ...	6 1 9	11½	8½	9½	5½	8½
November, „ ...	6 10 0	11½	8½	9½	5½	9½
December, „ ...	6 5 0	10½	6½	9½	6½	9½
January, 1908 ...	6 5 0	10¾	7½	9½	7	10

No. 37.—Gold produced.
Gold yield during the Years 1907 and 1908.

	1908.		1907.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January	26,033	110,583	29,839	126,750

No. 38.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1906 and 1907.

Minerals.	1906.		1907.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
Metallic—		£		£	£	£
Gold oz. fine	253,987	1,078,866	247,363	1,050,730	.....	28,136
Silver "	284,994	36,431	294,387	257,314	220,883	.....
Silver—lead and ore ... ton	371,939	2,826,542	434,079	3,658,632	832,090	.....
Lead—pig, &c.... " "	59	1,084	19,768	374,182	373,098	.....
Zinc spelter & concentrates ..	103,666	292,806	237,219	536,620	243,814	.....
Tin ingots and ore ... "	1,671	255,744	1,914	293,305	37,561	.....
Copper ingots and ore... "	9,755	789,527	10,098	727,774	.....	61,753
Antimony and ore ... "	2,451	52,645	1,752	46,278	.....	6,367
Bismuth "	25	5,700	16	5,268	.....	432
Wolfram "	132	9,057	207	26,235	17,178	.....
Scheelite "	109	7,647	196	23,781	16,134	.....
Molybdenite "	33	4,798	22	3,564	.....	1,234
Platinum oz.	205	623	276	1,014	391	.....
Iron ton	.....	.....	18,631	60,550	60,550	.....
Non-metallic —						
Coal ton	7,626,362	2,337,227	8,657,924	2,922,419	585,192	.....
Coke "	186,060	110,607	254,609	159,316	48,709	.....
Kerosene shale... .. "	32,446	28,470	47,331	32,055	3,585	.....
Alunite "	1,856	4,637	2,088	5,115	478	.....
Limestone flux... .. "	12,788	7,463	41,667	16,162	8,699	.....
Ironstone flux "	935	723	10,659	7,707	6,984	.....
Marble ... .. "	.....	1,518	.....	2,200	682	.....
Diamonds carat	2,827	2,120	2,539	2,056	.....	64
Opal ... .. "	.....	56,500	.....	79,000	22,500	.....
Sundry minerals ... ..	.....	1,981	.....	4,013	2,032	.....
Total ... .. £	.....	7,912,716	.....	10,295,290	2,480,560	97,986
Net increase £2 382,574.						

NOTE.—The above table does not include iron made from scrap valued at £112,848 in 1906 and £118,082 in 1907, nor lime and Portland cement valued at £144,060 and £164,006, respectively, in 1906 and 1907. These items are accounted for in the manufacturing returns.

No. 39.—Value of Minerals Produced.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897 ...	1,104,315	1,698,239	283,174	49,900	1,230,041	4,648,119
1898 ...	1,201,743	1,704,055	272,686	45,638	1,271,833	4,801,585
1899 ...	1,623,320	2,070,657	395,451	90,482	1,325,799	6,089,749
1900 ...	1,070,920	2,604,117	425,301	142,724	1,668,911	6,362,078
1901 ...	737,164	1,854,463	412,292	76,544	2,178,929	5,680,739
1902 ...	684,970	1,440,179	307,806	59,593	2,206,598	5,102,321
1903 ...	1,080,029	1,501,403	462,640	150,208	2,319,660	5,957,512
1904 ...	1,146,109	2,065,540	406,001	188,377	1,994,952	6,243,261
1905 ...	1,165,013	2,494,052	527,403	226,110	2,003,461	6,897,081
1906 ...	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716
1907 ...	1,050,730	3,915,943	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290

No. 40.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
		No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1896 ...	2,928	42,908	6,932	49,840	5,035,905	Not available.	
1897 ...	2,826	44,333	7,106	51,439	5,294,228	"	
1898 ...	2,839	44,673	7,845	52,518	5,435,696	"	
1899 ...	2,912	47,063	8,583	55,646	5,640,384	"	
1900 ...	3,077	50,516	10,263	60,779	5,707,640	4,974,216	Not available
1901 ...	3,367	54,556	11,674	66,230	5,860,725	4,945,079	24,393,471
1902 ...	3,396	54,326	11,943	66,269	6,795,843	5,080,740	Not available
1903 ...	3,476	52,453	13,180	65,633	7,009,806	4,839,557	26,391,028
1904 ...	3,632	53,457	14,579	68,036	7,536,903	5,012,758	27,159,230
1905 ...	3,700	56,117	16,058	72,175	7,919,950	5,191,350	30,028,150
*1906 ...	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,295,337	5,591,888	34,796,169

* See also Table 42.

No. 41.—Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1897 ...	2,640	37,369,205	1,413,524	8,130,405	3 5 $\frac{3}{4}$	22,672,924
1898 ...	2,691	37,719,402	1,412,143	8,340,338	3 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	23,233,206
1899 ...	2,707	37,992,276	1,454,831	8,806,647	3 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	24,726,067
1900 ...	2,811	38,477,269	1,394,052	8,894,352	3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	26,486,873
1901 ...	2,846	38,932,781	1,530,578	10,763,697	2 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	29,261,324
1902 ...	3,026	40,565,073	1,401,317	11,649,059	2 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	30,885,214
1903 ...	3,139	41,654,977	1,048,594	11,548,338	1 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	32,384,138
1904 ...	3,281	42,288,517	1,177,473	10,400,503	2 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	33,792,689
1905 ...	3,281	43,062,550	1,491,869	10,467,886	2 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	35,158,150
1906 ...	3,390	43,626,063	1,926,497	11,863,682	3 3	37,500,531
1907 ...	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,949,068	3 5	41,413,084
*Dec., 1907 ...	3,468	44,700,230	668,729	3,747,812	3 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	11,987,700
* „ 1906 ...	3,453	43,626,063	667,291	3,309,278	4 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	10,500,118

* Quarter ended 31st December.

No. 42.—Manufacturing Industries, 1906.

Class of Industry.	Number of Establishments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	
		No.	No.	No.	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	256	3,190	19	3,209	245,696
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	48	550	131	681	158,157
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	252	3,771	106	3,877	426,543
Working in Wood ...	457	5,186	19	5,205	365,780
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	376	15,288	51	15,339	1,511,896
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	707	9,558	2,049	11,607	2,537,270
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	724	6,530	13,120	19,650	286,040
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	335	5,539	1,422	6,961	671,321
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	6	305	33	338	4,815
Arms and Explosives ...	3	15	2	17	270
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	259	2,607	60	2,667	43,790
Ship and Boat Building ...	34	1,585	10	1,595	161,269
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	119	2,148	169	2,317	32,336
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	48	678	334	1,012	107,276
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	8	60	17	86	2,570
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	33	416	41	457	12,192
Heat, Light, and Power ...	139	1,821	62	1,883	1,705,857
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	12	217	23	240	6,085
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	45	506	175	681	16,174
Total ...	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,295,337

	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.	Wages Paid.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	3,288,006	20,314	†3,855,204	546,884	194,407
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	420,149	7,483	621,016	193,384	42,366
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	144,007	77,354	722,627	501,266	300,212
Working in Wood ...	1,105,105	10,705	1,806,846	691,036	376,912
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	4,195,818	229,602	7,631,010	3,205,590	1,502,331
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	9,258,104	112,545	11,955,522	2,584,873	824,083
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	1,890,906	12,775	3,414,603	1,510,922	907,542
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	476,461	13,623	1,396,774	906,690	557,245
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	43,295	237	102,875	59,343	30,584
Arms and Explosives ...	2,475	21	4,521	2,025	1,077
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	228,019	4,974	536,426	303,433	179,990
Ship and Boat Building ...	80,748	4,836	284,178	198,594	167,136
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	264,927	1,804	531,168	264,437	157,383
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	259,701	5,856	487,610	222,053	62,893
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	8,973	239	22,924	13,712	5,589
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	41,847	522	99,838	57,469	33,990
Heat, Light, and Power ...	232,351	105,829	1,062,466	724,286	200,922
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	69,475	340	97,981	28,166	14,218
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	92,318	939	162,580	69,323	33,008
Total ...	22,102,685	609,998	34,796,169	12,083,486*	5,591,888

* If £222,824, the value added to articles already included in primary industries be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £11,860,662.

† Including value of wool treated.

No. 43.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901–1906.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	547,636	449,521	457,067	546,884
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	162,491	179,690	177,877	193,384
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	422,272	445,774	399,459	462,447	501,266
Working in Wood	649,149	647,463	609,255	645,027	691,036
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	2,382,185	2,485,649	2,781,996	3,205,590
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,231,942	1,919,746	2,053,276	2,138,487	2,362,049
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	1,150,871	1,219,217	1,289,527	1,510,922
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving	950,771	802,860	851,780	847,996	906,690
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	29,511	30,708	54,799	59,343
Arms and Explosives	1,480	3,065	1,924	1,541	2,025
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	198,391	239,727	257,251	303,433
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	207,932	205,392	179,380	198,594
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	220,434	209,395	199,025	228,903	264,437
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	74,006	108,299	148,785	199,100	222,053
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments	17,304	9,145	10,700	10,925	13,712
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware	24,698	31,043	41,048	48,705	57,469
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	681,190	707,356	739,397	724,286
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	16,303	20,955	24,229	28,166
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	46,490	46,646	53,799	69,323
Total	9,736,171	9,599,790	9,900,113	10,598,453	11,860,662

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 44.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters carried.	Post cards and letter cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, books, and parcels carried.	Miles of telegraph line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1896	2,006	68,845,675	1,406,560	45,558,340	16,109,750	12,418	2,796,776
1897	2,046	72,490,144	1,534,710	42,426,394	13,258,207	12,778	2,728,360
1898	2,098	75,119,595	1,862,100	42,570,850	17,093,767	13,242	2,866,570
1899	2,152	74,686,138	2,040,610	46,806,560	14,641,064	13,663	3,112,063
1900	2,189	77,361,604	2,241,090	51,500,920	14,558,454	14,065	3,219,907
1901	2,208	80,301,717	2,481,750	52,317,650	15,216,387	14,272	3,449,315
1902	2,216	88,077,145	2,704,250	47,763,350	16,995,440	14,356	3,627,369
1903	2,228	89,156,941	3,081,270	37,900,840	16,305,421	14,395	3,638,591
1904	2,239	93,752,099	4,518,088	40,384,812	19,485,389	14,491	3,637,280
1905	2,266	102,292,888	9,665,700	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827	3,837,962
1906	2,288	113,226,280	14,457,564	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506

No. 45.—Current Rates of Wages.

Mechanics, Artisans, and others (without Board and Lodging).

Bakers (per week), 50/- to 60/-
 Blacksmiths, 10/- per day; average, 50/-
 Boilermakers—
 1/3 per hour, new work } approximate average
 1/4 " old work } per week, 35/-
 Brass-finishers, 1/- per hour; average, 42/-
 Brassmoulders, 1/3 " " 50/-
 Bricklayers, 1/4½ " " 45/-
 Brickmakers, 1/- " " 40/-
 Carpenters and joiners, 1/3 per hour; average, 45/-
 Coach-painters, 1/3 per hour; average, 45/-
 Coachsmiths, 1/4 per hour; average, 50/-
 Compositors (piecework)—
 1/- to 1/1 per 1,000 ens.
 52/- per week (jobbing).
 Linotype (newspapers), -3 per 1,000 ens.
 Time rate, 1/6 per hour (day).
 " 1/9 " (night).
 Coopers (piecework), 50/- to 55/- per week.
 Coppersmiths, 1/4 per hour; average, 50/-
 Engineers, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour; average, 50/-
 Engine-drivers, 30/- to 50/- per week; average, 40/-
 Engine-fitters, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour; average, 50/-
 Galvanised iron workers, 1/1½ per hour; average, 50/-
 Gas-fitters, 1/4½ per hour; average, 55/-
 General labourers, 7/- per day.
 Skilled " 8/- " " ; average, 40/-
 Ironmoulders, 1/3 per hour; average, 40/-
 Iron-turners, 1/3 " " 45/-
 Masons and stone-cutters, 1/4½ per hour; average, 40/-
 Navvies—7/- to 8/- per day; average, 40/- per week.

Painters and paperhangers (44 hours per week),
 1/2 per hour; average, 35/- per week.
 Pattern-makers, 10/- to 12/- per day.
 Plasterers, 1/3 per hour; average, 45/-
 Plumbers, 1/4½ " " 50/-
 Saddlers (piecework), average, 50/-
 Shipwrights (adults), 11/- to 12/- per day.
 Shop assistants (per week)—
 Butchers, with board, 25/- to 30/-
 " without board, 35/- to 45/-
 Drapers (males), 30/- to 45/-
 " improvers, 5/- to 15/-
 " (females), 12/6 to 25/-
 " improvers, 2/6 to 12/6
 Grocers, 25/- to 45/-
 " improvers, 20/-
 Ironmongers, 30/- to 40/-
 Tinsmiths, 1/1½ and 1/2 per hour; average, 50/-
 Trolly and Draymen, 1 horse, 40/-; 2 horses, 45/-
 per week of 57 hours. 2/6 per week for each
 additional horse.
 Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.
 Wharf labourers—
 Deep sea, 1/3 per hour; 1/9 overtime;
 average, 30/-
 Interstate, 1/1½ per hour; 1/6 overtime;
 average, 30/-
 Coastal, 1/1½ per hour; 1/4 overtime;
 average, 30/-
 Wheelwrights, 1/3 per hour; average, 45/-
 Woolwashers, 6/- to 7/- per day; average, 40/-.

Average Wages for Adults in Factories (per week).

Aerated Water Factories—
 Bottlers (machine), 33/-
 Bottle washers, 20/- to 30/-
 Labellers, 12/6
 Packers, 35/-
 Boatbuilders (average, 40/-), 54/-
 Bookbinders (average, 50/-), 52/-
 Bootmakers, male (average, 38/-), 45/-
 Bootmakers, female (average, 12/6), 15/-
 Brewery hands, 36/- to 44/-
 Cabinetmakers (average, 50/-), 52/-
 Dressmakers, 15/- to 25/-
 " improvers, 5/- to 12/6
 Milliners, 15/- to 25/-
 " improvers, 5/- to 12/6

Paper-bag makers, females—
 Handwork, 15/- to 18/-
 Machinists, 16/- to 20/-
 " males, 30/- to 40/-
 Paper-box makers, males, 25/- to 45/-
 " females, 10/- to 20/-
 Saw-mill labourers, 36/- to 40/-
 Tailors (coat hands), 35/- to 45/-
 " (trousers hands), 20/- to 30/-
 Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 27/6
 " (trousers hands), order, 22/6 to 26/-
 " (vest hands), order, 20/- to 25/-
 " (factory), 10/- to 20/-
 Tanners, 43/-
 Tobacco, cigar makers, male, 42/-
 Upholsterers, male, 52/-

NOTE.—The averages stated indicate the approximate amount earned per week all the year round in the specified trades. An ordinary working day consists of eight hours. The rates shown are practically the minimum.

Interstate Steamers (per month).

Officers, chief, £14 to £17; 2nd, £11 to £13;
 3rd, £9 to £10; 4th, £8.
 Firemen, £8 10s. to £10.
 Trimmers, £6 10s. to £7.

Engineers, chief, £20 to £27 10s.; 2nd, £16 to
 £19; 3rd, £14 to £15; 4th, £12.
 Able seamen, £7.
 " " (sailing ships), average, £5.

State (New South Wales) Steamers.

Firemen, £9 to £10.

Trimmers, £7.

Able Seamen, £7 (6-hour watches).

No. 45.—Current Rates of Wages—*continued.**Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.*

Married couples (without family)—

Farm, £65 to £75.

Station, £70 to £85.

Farm labourers, 20/-

Boundary riders, 15/- to 20/-

Bullock drivers, 20/- to 25/-

Dairy hands, 15/- to 22/6

Rouseabouts and shed hands, 15/- to 20/-

Orchard hands, 14/- to 20/-

Horse-team drivers, 20/- to 30/-

Stockmen, £45 to £52.

Country blacksmiths—

Station, 30/-

General (without rations), 50/- to 60/-

Useful boys, 7/6 to 12/6.

Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 20/-

Harvest hands, 35/-

Vignerons, 15/- to 20/-

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks (Females)—

Hotel, 15/- to 30/-

Station, 20/- to 25/-

Private house, 15/- to 20/-

Boarding-house, 20/- to 30/-

Cook and laundress, 15/- to 20/-

Laundresses, 20/-

Gardeners, 20/- to 30/-

General servants, 10/- to 20/-

Grooms and coachmen, 17/6 to 25/-

Nursemaids, and assist in house, 6/- to 10/-

Useful girls, 6/- to 10/-

Waitresses (board only), 15/- to 18/-

No. 46.—Meteorology.

District.	January, 1908.					January— (Mean 1898–1907).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
North Coast—										
Grafton	75·2	89·1	61·3	2·28	8	77·4	5·01	9	68·3	38·77
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton	78·6	89·6	67·5	1·72	6	76·4	1·87	5	64·3	29·65
Cumberland—										
Sydney	73·9	81·4	66·3	1·80	11	71·6	2·82	13	63·0	48·34
South Coast—										
Bega	70·5	90·2	50·8	1·34	6	70·7	2·08	6	59·8	31·74
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale	69·6	82·2	57·0	4·13	7	68·7	2·65	9	56·4	31·78
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst	68·8	83·8	53·8	2·15	6	71·6	2·09	6	57·2	23·89
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn	71·2	85·5	56·8	0·90	6	67·9	2·58	7	56·4	25·63
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah	82·3	98·1	66·4	1·45	6	81·0	1·62	5	66·2	24·76
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo	82·3	98·3	66·2	4·55	5	80·4	1·69	5	63·6	22·36
South-western Slope—										
Wagga	84·4	102·3	66·5	0·05	2	78·0	0·96	4	61·6	21·73
North-western Plain—										
Moree	82·5	97·9	67·1	1·03	3	81·9	2·19	6	68·7	23·23
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble	85·7	100·1	71·3	0·72	2	81·9	1·84	4	65·8	19·96
Riverina—										
Deniliquin	83·8	99·3	63·3	0·52	2	76·1	0·72	3	61·9	16·46

No. 47.—Crown Lands Selections, 1908.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected ; and (second), the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of January, 1908, and during the period from 1st January to 31st December, 1907 :—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE "CROWN LANDS ACT."

Description of Holding.	During January, 1908.		1st Jan. to 31st December, 1907.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Conditional Purchase Leases	26	12,362	236	140,241
Original Conditional Purchases	131	18,939	1,626	224,022
*Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(76)	40,672	(946)	383,179
Original Homestead Selections	7	1,592	154	46,352
Original Settlement Leases	5	33,140	141	665,461
Settlement Purchases ... ..	.....	.....	198	96,080
Total of New Settlers	169	106,705	2,355	1,555,335
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Conditional Purchases	67	8,977	1,210	184,416
Additional Conditional Leases	98	26,785	1,535	484,108
Additional Homestead Selections	7	2,316	102	33,286
Additional Settlement Leases	5	5,262	67	74,400
Total	177	43,340	2,914	776,210

* A Conditional Lease may be of any area not exceeding three times that of the associated Conditional Purchase, and is usually taken up at the same time as the Conditional Purchase. It is not, however, treated as an additional holding.

AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.

Description of Holding.	During January, 1908.		1st Jan. to 31st December, 1907.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
For Conditional Purchase Lease	35	15,394	165	141,105
Original Conditional Purchase	32	1,903	148	12,133
Original Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease in virtue thereof	50	49,665	365	530,066
Original Homestead Selection	2	20	146	30,408
Original Settlement Lease	2	16,450	84	467,138
Settlement Purchase ... ..	.....	.....	185	89,486
Total	121	83,432	1,093	1,271,236
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
For all forms of Additional Holdings	67	67,752	706	575,203
Additional Conditional Purchase	3	151	42	6,658
Additional Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease	5	320	112	145,964
Additional Homestead Selection	1	16	23	2,483
Additional Settlement Lease	1	600	25	31,449
Additional Conditional Purchase, Conditional Lease, or Additional Homestead Selection ... ..	.....	.....	20	6,490
Total	77	68,839	928	768,247